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All Iowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant Program

Report to the General Assembly

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Following is a report to the Iowa General Assembly regarding the All Iowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant Program, as directed by 2007 Iowa Acts, chapter 214, section 25.

The directive requires the Commission to develop and implement a tracking system that maintains a record of the postsecondary and workforce participation for those assisted under the program. The system is to maintain a record for each participant for up to ten years after the first year of assistance, and deliver a report on the outcomes of the program to the Governor and General Assembly by January 1 of each year.

During the first year of the program the Commission created a tracking system that is used primarily to maintain a record of those participating in the program and to serve as a foundation for the long-term tracking system.

For the Fall, 2007 semester, the program assisted 80 students at three sectors of Iowa higher education.

	<u>Students</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Regent Universities	13	16.3%
Independent Colleges and Universities	9	11.3%
Community Colleges	58	72.5%
Total	80	100.0%

Additional students are expected to receive assistance for the Spring, 2008 semester.

The State of Iowa also administers a federally-funded education training voucher (ETV) program for students who have aged out of the foster care system. During the 2006 – 2007 academic year, the ETV program assisted 106 students who completed the full year, and 37 who completed a portion of the academic year.

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